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SUBJECT: EXIM BANK ARREARAGES

REF: LAGOS 3909

- 1. MEETING TO RESOLVE SUBJECT ARREARAGES HELD APRIL 14 AS SCHEDULED REFTEL. CHAIRED BY MIN FINANCE OFFICER ORANIKA. REPRESENTATIVES FROM NIGERIAN AIRWAYS (NA), MINISTRY CIVIL AVIATION, AND EMBASSY IN ATTENDANCE. MIN INDUSTRIES REF INVITED BUT DID NOT SHOW UP.
- 2. NIGERIAN AIRWAYS (NA) ARREARAGES. NA ACCOUNTANTS
 ACKNOWLEDGED PAYMENT DELINQUENCY TO EXIM. THEIR BOOKS ON
 ACCOUNT 3080 SHOWED ARREARAGE OF DOLLARS 1,972,916, NOT DOLLARS
 1,989,761.33 AS QUOTED BY EXIM. ALSO, NA UNAWARE OF ACCOUNT
 3759 ARREARAGE AMOUNTING TO DOLLARS 16,372.22. HOWEVER, IN
 RESPONSE TO SERIOUSNESS OF PROBLEM, NA SAID IT WILL PAY ENTIRE
 DOLLARS 2,006,133.55 DELINQUENCY CLAIMED BY EXIM. WILL APPLY FOR
 FOREIGN EXCHANGE APPROVAL IMMEDIATELY. MIN FINANCE PROMISES TO
 EXPEDITE REQUEST EMBASSY ESTIMATES XTDS WILL BE TRANSMITTED
 IN 2-3 WEEKS.
- 3. RE UPCOMING MAY 2 PAYMENT OF DOLLARS 805,189.00, NA COMMI-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TTED ITSELF TO MAKE PAYMENT ON TIME. TO AVOID CONFUSION IN FUTURE, MIN FINANCE RECOMMENDS EXIM SEND LETTER TO NA WITH COPIES TO MIN CIVIL AVIATION AND MIN FINANCE STATEING PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENT DUE EXIM.

4. MIN FINANCE CONCERNED FUTURE PAYMENTS DESTINED FOR EXIM MAY BE SIPHONED OFF TO PAY CHASE LOANS ALTHOUGH THEY ACKNOWLEDGE

CHASE'S RIGHT TO DO SO. (FYI. MIN FINANCE FEARS SUCH ACTION WILL FURTHER CONFUSE NA ACCOUNTANTS. END FYI) MAY HELP IF NA HAS ADVANCE KNOWLEDGE FUTURE PAYMENTS OBLIGATIONS TO CHASE. REQUEST CHASE PROVIDE NA, MIN FINANCE AND MIN CIVIL ACTION SIMPLIFIED VERSION ITS FUTRUE NA LOAN PAYMENT SCHEDULE.

- 5. FINALLY, TO CLEAR UP MINOR NA ACCOUNTING DISCREPANCY IN ACCOUNT 3080, REQUEST EXIM PROVIDE RELEVANT PAYMENT DATA FROM 10-31-75. ALSO NEED EXPLANATION OF CHARGES UNDER ACCOUNT 3757.
- 6. ABATEX ARREARAGES. NOTHING SUBSTANTIVE ACCOMPLISHED ON ABATEX ARREARAGES TOTALLING DOLLARS 2,515,727.87. ORANIKA STATED FMG RECOGNIZES ITS ABATEX LOAN OBLIGATIONS AND WILL PAY IF ABATEX CANNOT. HE ADMITTED THAT STATE OF CONFUSION EXITS RE ABATEX. LOANDS. NEITHER FMG NOR ABATEX HAS COMPLETE SET LOAN RECORDS. ALSO CITED INTERNAL COORDINATION PROBLEMS WITH MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIES, THE "EXECUTING MINISTRY" RE ABATEX. (FYI. MIN FINANCE NEEDS MIN INDUSTRIES CLEARANCE TO MAKE ABATEX LOAN PAYMENTS. END FYI) IN ORDER TO MAKE ARREARAGE PAYMENT, MIN FINANCE REQUESTS FULL SET ABATEX LOAN RECORDS DATING FFROM FEBRUARY 1976. ALSO NEED RATIONALE FOR COMPUTATION OF INTEREST UNDER ACCOUNTS 2025 AND 2733.
- 7. ORANIKA ALSO REQUESTED NIGERIA PORTION LATEST EXIM ANNUAL REPORT. REQUEST POUCH ASAP.
- 8. COMMENT: ORANIKA STRESSED SEVERAL TIMES DURING MEETING THAT MIN FINANCE WILL EXPEDITE ALL PAYMENTS. EMBASSY BELIEVES FORTHCOMING NA PAYMENT INDICATES MIN FINANCE GOOD FAITH. ABATEX LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IS STILL A PROBLEM, BUT MIN FINANCE NOW FIRMLY COMMITTED TO TIS RESOLUTION.

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